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SUBJECT: 64TH UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY: HIGH LEVEL ATTENDANCE  
AND REQUESTS FOR MEETINGS

REF: A. A) STATE 068590

[1](#)B. B) BEIRUT 873

[1](#)A. (SBU) Attendance of Head of State: As reported in reftel B, Presidential Advisor Najj Abi Assi told the Ambassador on July 31 that he is "80% sure" that the President will attend the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA).

[1](#)B. (SBU) Attendance of the Head of Government: The formation of the new Lebanese government is ongoing. Prime Minister-designate Saad Hariri will not attend should President Sleiman attend or if he fails to form a government by that date (ref B).

[1](#)C. (SBU) Attendance of the Foreign Minister: It is possible that the new Foreign Minister would be the head of the delegation should the President and the new PM decline to attend.

Comment

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[1](#)D. (SBU) Uncertainty over formation of the new government complicates predicting the actual members of the Lebanese delegation. Post will send periodic updates pertaining to GOL attendance at UNGA as we receive them. End comment.  
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